

The restore drill

Backup ≠ restore proof

One drill this month

1

Pick one controller or HMI

The one that would hurt most at 3 a.m.

2

Restore to spare hardware

A real target, not a file-open test

3

Time it, start to running

Measured, not estimated

4

Write down every surprise

The surprises are the deliverable

Then record the evidence.

Handover packages list restore proof: when, on what target, by whom, in how long.

What a drill exposes: firmware drift • missing licences • an engineering tool that won't run on any current laptop • drive parameters saved outside the program • access that works for one person, who is on leave.